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**From:** Whitley, Christopher  
**Sent:** Thur 5/7/2015 5:28:20 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Story on Bridgeton Landfill protest/press conference  
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Sam,

EPA Region 7's official statement is attached.

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Great, thank you

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**To:** Sam Pearson  
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Sam,

Thanks for reaching out. We should have a statement that we can provide to you well in advance of your deadline. I'll follow up as soon as it's available.

Thanks,

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**From:** Sam Pearson [<mailto:spearson@eenews.net>]  
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Hi, I wanted to pass this along as I am going to be covering this later today. I probably will be filing something by 3:15 (EST), is my target. I wanted to send this your way in case EPA was able to comment on their concerns about the Bridgeton Landfill in St. Louis, Mo. Is EPA doing everything it can to address their issues? Is there more that Administrator McCarthy could do to take action faster, as the group is saying? What do we know about the health and safety data of this site?

Thanks,

**Sam Pearson**

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## **Missouri Mothers Ask For Relief this Mother's Day**

Community Mom's with sick children are traveling to Washington D.C. to demand action from **EPA Administrator, Gina McCarthy** and **Philanthropist Bill Gates**, to use their power to stop the poisoning of innocent families living adjacent to Republic Service's Superfund site in St. Louis, MO that is burning out-of-control and contains radioactive wastes from the Manhattan Project.

Republic's landfill has been burning and spewing toxins for years – leaving nearby families physically harmed and financially trapped. The state of MO found the community has a childhood cancer cluster and other diseases which local families believe are directly related to the fire and radioactive wastes.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's has the authority to protect and move families under the Superfund program. Bill Gates has the power to protect and move families using his voting power as the dominant shareholders of Republic Services. Donald Slager, Republic Services CEO is the owner of the site has a moral responsibility.

**WHO:** Dawn Chapman, Just Moms STL and Bridgeton community activist

Karen Nickel, Just Moms STL and Bridgeton community activist

Megan Beckmann, Just Moms STL and Bridgeton community activist

Lois Gibbs, Center for Health, Environment and Justice and organizer of the Love Canal, N.Y., community landfill fight

Chuck Stiles, Assistant Director of the Solid Waste & Recycling Division; Teamsters Union

**WHEN:** Thursday May 7, 2015

12:30 pm

**WHERE:** National Press Club, Zenger Room, 529 14th Street Northwest, Washington, DC.

Just Moms STL will be also delivering over 1,500 signed petitions to the **Gates Foundation** on K Street asking for their help. (Timing not yet determined)

